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SUBJECT: PAKISTANI ENVOY IN KUWAIT: REACTION TO BHUTTO'S ARREST

1. UNDERSEC OF PAKISTANI FOREIGN MINISTRY, NIAZ NAIK, SPENT SEPTEMBER 4-5 IN KUWAIT. HE DELIVERED A MESSAGE TO THE KUWAITI CROWN PRINCE FROM GENERAL ZIA, ACCORDING TO THE LOCAL PRESS. "INFORMED SOURCES" REPORTEDLY TOLD NEWSMENT THAT THIS MESSAGE, WHICH IS THE SECOND ONE FROM ZIA IN THE PAST WEEK, DEALT WITH INTERNAL PAKISTANI POLITICS AND WAS TO THE EFFECT THAT THE BHUTTO ARREST WOULD NOT AFFECT SCHEDULED OCTOBER 18 ELECTIONS IN PAKISTAN. THERE IS PRESS SPECULATION HERE THAT NAIK CAME BOTH TO JUSTIFY BHUTTO'S ARREST AND TO REQUEST URGENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM KUWAIT.

2. ONLY THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE PRESS HERE HAS COMMENTED SO FAR ON BHUTTO'S ARREST. A KUWAIT TIMES EDITORIAL (SEPT 5) ASSUMED THAT BHUTTO WAS GUILTY OF ABUSES OF "ABSOLUTE POWER" WHICH HE FORMERLY ENJOYED AND ASSERTED THAT "THE THIRD WORLD HAS A MAJORITY OF SUTCH LEADERS STILL OCCUPYING SEATS OF POWER". THE SAME PAPER ALSO CARRIED A COLUMN ENTITLED "WORLD PRESS UPHOLDS BHUTTO ARREST..." (SEPT 6), THE GIST OF WHICH WAS THAT THE WORLD-WIDE PRESS BELIEVES
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THAT BHUTTO'S ARREST WAS JUSTIFIED, EXCEPT FOR THE IRANIAN PAPERS, WHICH "CRITICIZED THE ZIA REGIME FOR ARRESTING BHUTTO".
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